through educational activities, online resources and checklists.

Raising the awareness of this issue in both the public and private sectors is absolutely vital as our country becomes increasingly connected.

Cybercrime is a serious business—recent reports suggest that cyber-crime has become a \$105 billion business that now surpasses the value of the illegal drug trade worldwide.

During the past two years, one in five online consumers has been a victim of cybercrime.

But companies and consumers continue to underestimate the threat from phishing, data loss, and other cyber vulnerabilities.

I encourage my colleagues today to support this resolution and join me and Representative CLARKE in our efforts to address this threat to our economy and homeland security.

RECOGNIZING THE BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB OF SIERRA VISTA, ARIZONA FOR ITS PARTICIPATION IN LIGHTS ON AFTER-SCHOOL DAY

# HON. GABRIELLE GIFFORDS

OF ARIZONA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Wednesday, October 21, 2009

Ms. GIFFORDS. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the work of the Boys and Girls Club of Sierra Vista, Arizona, which will play a very active role in the Lights On Afterschool Day on October 22.

Lights On Afterschool Day is a national celebration of after-school programs that promotes quality afternoon activities for children and their families. Arizona ranks in the top 10 states for afterschool programs and I commend the Boys and Girls Club of Sierra Vista for its strong participation in this important initiative.

The mission of the Boys and Girls Club of Sierra Vista is to inspire and enable all young people to realize their full potential as productive, responsible and caring citizens. The club operates exceptional youth development programs which provide young people with the knowledge, skills, and attributes they need to pursue their dreams and succeed in life.

The Boys and Girls Club of Sierra Vista also offers a full menu of after-school activities. These activities provide safe, challenging and fun learning experiences to help young people develop their social, emotional, physical, cultural and academic skills.

There are more than 28 million children in the United States with parents who work outside the home. Some 14.3 million of those children have no place to go after school.

The Boys and Girls Club of Sierra Vista leads the way by encouraging community involvement in the education and well-being of our youth. That leadership is grounded in the principle that quality after-school programs are a key to helping our children become successful adults.

Afterschool Alliance Executive Director Jodi Grant has said "The 2009 Lights On Afterschool events represent not only diverse people and issues, but also diverse interests whether those interests run to the sciences, the arts, community service, sports or the environment." The Boys and Girls Club of Sierra Vista is an outstanding example of how children can be engaged in these meaningful activities.

On behalf of a grateful community, I thank the Boys and Girls Club of Sierra Vista for all that it does to engage and educate our children in a safe and caring setting.

#### BROOKS C. ROBINSON

# HON. C. A. DUTCH RUPPERSBERGER

OF MARYLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, October 21, 2009

Mr. RUPPERSBERGER. Madam Speaker, I rise before you today to honor Brooks C. Robinson, legendary Baltimore Orioles third baseman and National Baseball Hall of Famer.

Brooks Robinson began his professional baseball career on Memorial Day 1955, when he signed a contract with the Baltimore Orioles for whom he played throughout his entire 23 year career. Known as the Human Vacuum Cleaner because of his astounding defensive abilities at third base, Robinson is generally acclaimed as the greatest defensive third baseman of all time.

In 1964, Robinson won both the American League Most Valuable Player, MVP, and All-Star Game MVP awards. He played in four World Series and in 1970 Robinson received the World Series MVP Award. In 1971, Robinson was awarded the Hickock Belt, emblematic of his selection as the national outstanding athlete of the year. During his career as an Oriole, Robinson won 16 consecutive Gold Glove Awards, a record for nonpitchers.

Besides his superior defensive skills, Robinson holds major league records for his offensive talent as well. Robinson compiled a .267 batting average with 2,848 hits, 268 home runs, and 1,357 runs batted in. After his retirement in 1977, the Orioles retired his jersey, number 5.

Robinson remained active in the community upon his retirement. A longtime supporter of Scouting, Robinson served for many years on the executive board of the Baltimore Area Council, Boy Scouts of America, and is a recipient of the Silver Beaver Award. On December 5, 2006, he was recognized for his accomplishments on and off of the field when he received the Bobby Bragan Youth Foundation Lifetime Achievement Award.

Brooks Robinson has lived in the Baltimore area for over 45 years with his wife Connie. They have four children and eight grand-children

Madam Speaker, I ask that you join with me today in honoring Brooks Robinson, a man who has established a standard of excellence both on and off the baseball field. His stellar baseball performance and outstanding community involvement is a sterling example of a true professional athlete.

HONORING EMILY THOMPSON

### HON. STEVE AUSTRIA

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Wednesday, October 21, 2009

Mr. AUSTRIA. Madam Speaker, I rise today on behalf of the constituents of Ohio's Seventh Congressional District to recognize and honor Emily Thompson for the courage and selfless action she took to save the life of a fellow citizen.

A senior at Kenton Ridge High School in Kenton, Ohio, Emily is a member of the volleyball team. While preparing for a match on Tuesday, October 13, 2009, a fellow teammate's grandfather suffered an apparent heart attack in the stands. Emily was quick to respond, using her first aid knowledge she learned as a lifeguard she effectively saved the gentleman's life.

Emily deserves our recognition for her bravery, strength of character, and quick action to help when needed. She has shown true signs of leadership and responsibility far beyond her 17 years.

Emily provided a great service both to our community and the family and loved ones of the gentleman she saved and for these reasons she deserves our gratitude and special thanks.

NATIONAL BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

### HON. LORETTA SANCHEZ

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Wednesday, October 21, 2009

Ms. LORETTA SANCHEZ of California. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize "National Breast Cancer Awareness Month" during its 25th anniversary year.

National Breast Cancer Awareness Month has been at the forefront of raising awareness of breast cancer issues and has continued to evolve along with the national dialogue on breast cancer.

I am a strong advocate for organizations that are dedicated to educating and empowering women to take charge of their own breast health by practicing regular self-breast exams and scheduling annual mammograms.

In my district in Orange County, California, I am proud of the numerous health fairs that promote prevention among our ethnic populations, who tend to be more reluctant to get examined than other populations.

My own staff has been involved in this effort. Laura Martinez, my casework supervisor, was diagnosed with breast cancer in 2006. She underwent a mastectomy, received radiation treatment and is currently taking Tamoxifin.

She has been involved with the American Cancer Society, has shared her testimony, and formed "Laura's Lifeline" team to Race for the Cure.

I recognize that many strides have been made in breast cancer awareness and treatment but there still remains much to be accomplished.